Dear Chairman Powell, I have been a subscriber to satellite radio for about two years. I am continually surprised with the variety of programs available to me, so different from the run-of-the-mill programming received from the large media companies.

One thing that was missing, however, was the lack of local traffic and weather coverage. With that now available, my radio experience is much improved. So, I was dismayed to discover that the NAB (petition 04-160) is trying to prevent this minimal local coverage. Our country was built on competition; if the NAB feels threatened by radio services that have less than 2 million listeners, then they must have forgotten what competition is all about.

Please reject this NAB petition.

Respectfully, Gus Romano